

MARY BAKER.

LETTER FROM THE ASSISTANT CLERK OF THE COURT OF CLAIMS,
TRANSMITTING A COPY OF THE FINDINGS FILED BY THE COURT
IN THE CASE OF MARY BAKER AGAINST THE UNITED STATES.

JANUARY 8, 1902.—Referred to the Committee on War Claims and ordered to be printed.

COURT OF CLAIMS, CLERK'S OFFICE,
Washington, January 7, 1902.

SIR: Pursuant to the order of the court I transmit herewith a certified copy of the findings filed by the court in the aforesaid cause, which case was referred to this court by the Committee on War Claims, House of Representatives, under the act of March 3, 1883.

I am, very respectfully, yours, etc.,

JOHN RANDOLPH,
Assistant Clerk Court of Claims.

HON. DAVID B. HENDERSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

[Court of Claims. Congressional, No. 8560. *Mary Baker v. The United States.*]

This case, being a claim for supplies or stores alleged to have been taken by or furnished to the military forces of the United States for their use during the late war for the suppression of the rebellion, the court, on a preliminary inquiry, finds that Mary Baker, the person alleged to have furnished such supplies or stores, or from whom the same are alleged to have been taken, was loyal to the Government of the United States throughout said war.

By THE COURT.

Filed March 6, 1899.

[Court of Claims. Congressional case No. 8560. *Mary Baker v. The United States.*]

STATEMENT OF CASE.

The claim in the above-entitled case for supplies or stores alleged to have been taken by or furnished to the military forces of the United States for their use during the late war for the suppression of the rebellion was transmitted to the court by the Committee on War Claims of the House of Representatives on the 16th day of February, 1892.

On a preliminary inquiry the court, on the 5th day of March, 1899, found that the person alleged to have furnished the supplies or stores, or from whom they were alleged to have been taken, was loyal to the Government of the United States throughout said war.

The case was brought to a hearing on its merits on the 4th day of December, 1901.

Gilbert Moyers, esq., appeared for claimant, and the Attorney-General, by George H. Walker, esq., his assistant, and under his direction, appeared for the defense and protection of the interests of the United States.

The claimant in her petition makes the following allegations:

That she is a citizen of the United States, residing in Augusta County, State of Virginia, where she resided during the late war of the rebellion; that at different times during said period the United States forces, by proper authority, took from her quartermaster stores and commissary supplies of the value of \$646.25, and appropriated the same to the use of the United States Army, as follows, namely:

Taken by General Crook's command about June 11, 1864, near Greenville, Va.:

4 head cattle, at \$40.....	\$160. 00
16 tons hay, at \$15.....	240. 00
125 bushels wheat, at \$1. 25.....	156. 25
30 cords wood, at \$3 per cord.....	90. 00

Total.....	646. 25
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The court, upon the evidence, and after considering the briefs and argument of counsel on both sides, makes the following

FINDING OF FACT.

There were taken from the claimant, in Augusta County, State of Virginia, during the war of the rebellion, by the military forces of the United States, for the use of the Army, stores and supplies of those above described which at the time and place of taking were reasonably worth the sum of four hundred and twenty-six dollars (\$426).

It does not appear that payment has been made for any part thereof.

By THE COURT.

Filed December 9, 1901.

A true copy.

Test this 4th day of January, A. D. 1902.

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JOHN RANDOLPH,
Assistant Clerk Court of Claims.